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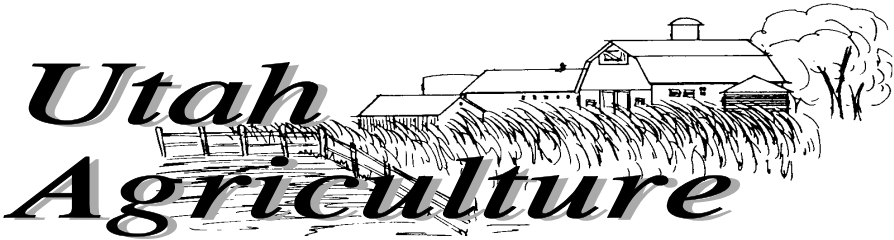
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HIGHLIGHTS: *U.S. Turkeys* *Farm Land Values*
U.S. July Milk *Utah State Fair*
Mfg Dairy

U.S. Turkey Eggs in Incubators & Poult Placement

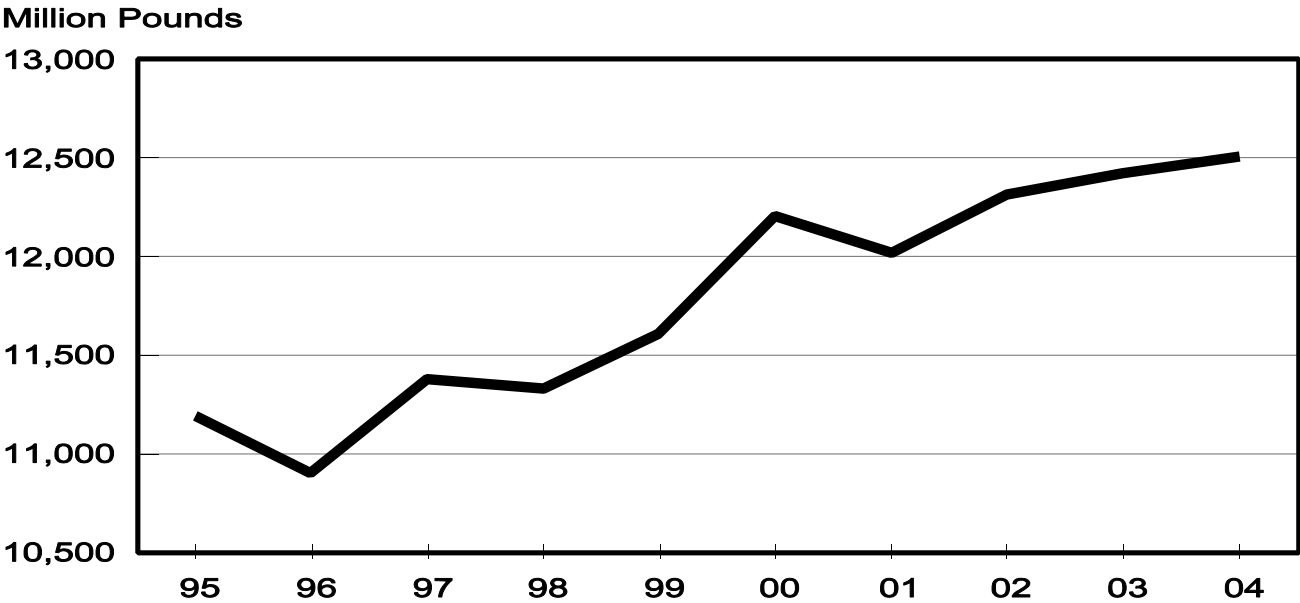
Turkey eggs in incubators on August 1, 2004, in the United States totaled 30.0 million, down 8 percent from August 1 a year ago. Eggs in incubators were 3 percent below the July 2004 total of 31.0 million eggs. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 7 percent, West North Central down 2 percent, North and South Atlantic down 14 percent, South Central up 2 percent, and West down 18 percent.

The 25.3 million poults placed during July 2004 in the United States were down slightly from the number placed during the same month a year ago. Placements were up 9 percent from the June 2004 total of 23.3 million. Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down 1 percent, West North Central up 1 percent, North and South Atlantic down 5 percent, South Central down 1 percent, and West up 11 percent.

U.S. July Milk Production Up 0.7 Percent

Milk production in the 20 major States during July totaled 12.5 billion pounds, up 0.7 percent from July 2003. June revised production, at 12.4 billion pounds, was down 0.1 percent from June 2003. The June revision represented an increase of 1 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate. **Production per cow** in the 20 major States averaged 1,613 pounds for July, 16 pounds above July 2003. **The number of milk cows** on farms in the 20 major States was 7.75 million head, 27,000 head less than July 2003, but 11,000 head more than June 2004.

July Milk Production, 1995-2004
20 States



Manufactured Dairy Products

UTAH: **Total cheese** output (excluding cottage cheese) in Jun 2004, at 6.0 million pounds, was down 12.1 percent from June 2003 and down 17.0 percent from May 2004. **Hard ice cream** production totaled 2.4 million gallons, up 68.4 percent from June 2003 and up 20.0 percent from May 2004.

UNITED STATES: **Total cheese** output (excluding cottage cheese) was 717 million pounds, 0.6 percent above June 2003 but 4.2 percent below May 2004. **American type cheese** production totaled 310 million pounds, 1.6 percent above June 2003 but 6.7 percent below May 2004. **Butter** production was 97.0 million pounds in June, 15.2 percent above June 2003 but 9.0 percent below May 2004. **Hard ice cream** production at 85.8 million gallons, was up 1.2 percent June 2003, and up 14.2 percent from May 2004.

Manufactured Dairy Production - Jun 2004 with Comparisons						
Product	Utah			United States		
	Jun	May ¹	Jun	Jun	May ¹	Jun
	2003	2004	2004	2003	2004	2004
1,000 Pounds						
Total Cheese	6,822	7,225	5,995	712,309	748,351	716,783
1,000 Gallons						
Hard ice cream	1,451	2,036	2,443	84,698	75,073	85,753

¹ Revised.



2004 UTAH STATE FAIR
September 9-19

Utah’s first fair was held in 1856, and now 148 years later it "is still one place everyone from all walks of life, both rural and urban, come to reacquaint themselves with culture and heritage."

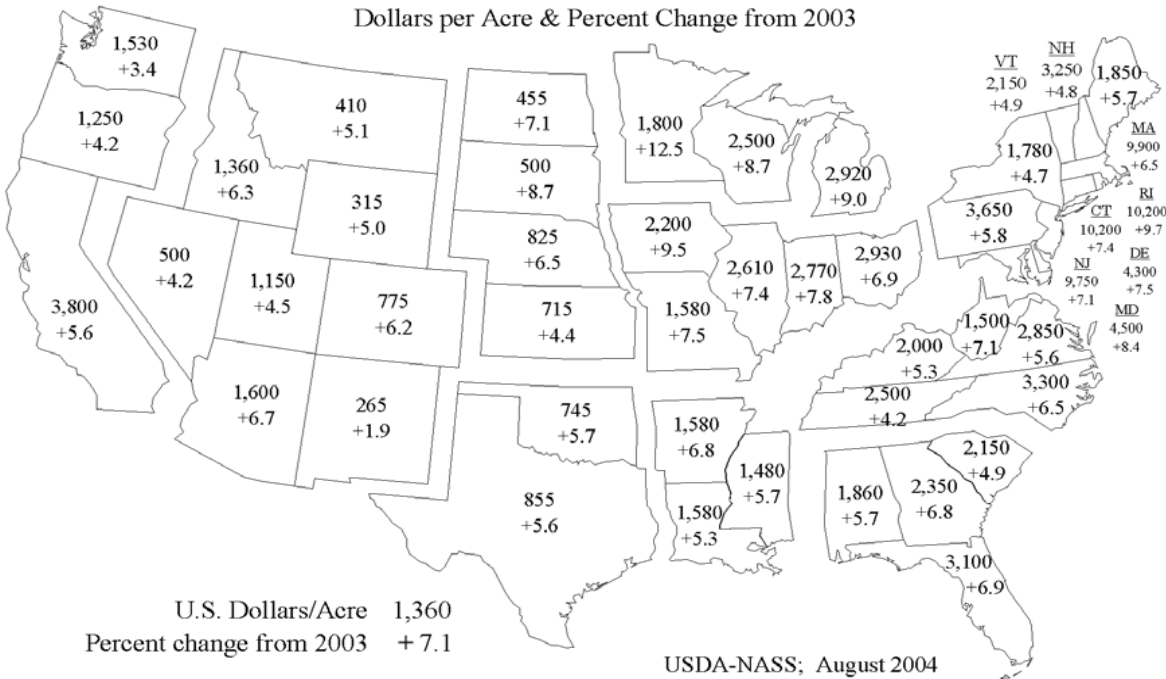
Below are some judging dates and times to mark on your calendar for this year’s fair:

Sheep		
Sat, 11th	Jr. Breeding Sheep	4:00 pm
Sun, 12th	Dorset	10:00 am
" "	Hampshire	11:00 am
" "	Suffolk	2:00 pm
Wed, 15th	Montadale	10:00 am
" "	Rambouillet	11:00 am
" "	Columbia	2:00 pm
" "	Corriedale	5:00 pm
" "	Other Recognized Breeds	6:00 pm
Thur, 16th	Jr. Sheep Showmanship	1:00 pm
Fri, 17th	Market Lambs	12:00 pm
Beef Cattle		
Fri, 10th	Simmental	2:00 pm
" "	Gelbvieh	5:00 pm
Mon, 13th	Dexter Cattle	7:00
Tue, 14th	Horned & Polled Hereford	10:00 am
" "	Angus	3:30 pm
Thur, 16th	Jr. Market Sheep Showmanship	4:00 pm
Fri, 17th	Market Steers	9:00 am
Sun, 19th	Other Recognized Breeds	10:00 am
Dairy Cattle		
Sat, 11th	4-H/FFA Showmanship	10:00 am
" "	4-H/FFA Holstein & Jersey	11:00 am
Mon, 13th	Open Holstein & Jersey	11:00 am
Swine		
Sat, 11th	Open Market Hog Show	9:00 am
Fri, 17th	Jr. Market Hog Showmanship	6:00 pm
" "	Market Hog Show	7:00 pm
Rabbits		
Fri, 10th	Open Show	9:00 pm
Sat, 11th	Open Show	9:00 am
Thur, 16th	4-H & FFA Rabbit Show	7:00 pm
Fri, 17th	Open Show - Pet Show	9:00 am
Poultry		
Wed, 15th	Poultry	9:00 am

Cavy		
Sat, 6th	Open Class Show	9:00 am
Pigeons		
Fri, 10th	Various Breeds	9:00 am
Sat, 11th	Various Breeds	9:00 am
Dairy Goats		
Fri, 10th	4-H/FFA Showmanship	8:30 am
" "	4-H/FFA Jr. Doe Show	10:30 am
Sat, 11th	4-H/FFA Sr. Doe Show	10:00
Mon, 13th	Official Milking Competition	6:00 am
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Tue, 14th	Open Jr. Doe Show	10:00 am
Wed, 15th	Open Sr. Doe Show	9:00 am
Sun, 19th	Market Goat Show	10:00am
Horse Arena Schedule		
Friday, 10th		
Open Gaited Horses Halter Performance		9:00 am
Saturday, 11th		
Appaloosa Halter & Performance Classes		9:00 am
PRCA Rodeo		7:00 pm
Sunday, 12th		
Quarter Horse Halter & Performance Classes		9:00 am
PRCA Rodeo		7:00 pm
Monday, 13th		
Team Penning		1:00 pm
Tuesday, 14th		
Open Halter & Performance Classes		8:00 am
Open Halter & Performance Classes		1:00 pm
Open Halter & Performance Classes		7:00 pm
Wednesday, 15th		
Open Halter & Performance Classes		8:00 am
Open Halter & Performance Classes		1:00 pm
Open Halter & Performance Classes		7:00 pm
Thursday, 16th		
Open Halter & Performance Classes		8:00 am
Open Halter & Performance Classes		1:00 pm
Draft Horse Pulling		7:00 pm
Friday, 17th		
Young Performance Classes		8:00 am
Championship Classes		7:00 pm

For further information, visit the Utah State Fair web site at www.utah-state-fair.com.

2004 Farm Real Estate Value by State



Farm Land Values

UTAH: Average farm real estate values, including land and buildings, were estimated at \$1,150 per acre on January 1, 2004, up from \$1,100 on January 1, 2003. Utah cropland was valued at \$3,130 per acre on January 1, 2004, up \$170 from 2003, and up \$250 from 2002. Pastureland was valued at \$520 per acre on January 1, 2004, up \$20 an acre from 2003 and up \$45 an acre from 2002.

UNITED STATES: Farm real estate values, a measurement of the value of all land and buildings on farms, averaged \$1,360 per acre on January 1, 2004, up 7.1 percent from 2003. This is the largest percentage increase since 1994, when farm real estate values rose 8.0 percent from the previous year. The \$90 per acre increase is the largest dollar increase since 1980, when values climbed \$109 per acre above the 1979 value.

Cropland and pasture values rose by 7.2 and 6.4 percent, respectively, from January 1, 2003. Cropland values averaged \$1,780 per acre and pasture values averaged \$644 per acre on January 1, 2004, compared with \$1,660 and \$605 per acre, respectively, a year earlier. The value of other land and buildings rose 7.5 percent.

The increase in farm real estate values was driven by a combination of factors, including low interest rates, high commodity production and prices, and strong demand for nonagricultural land uses. Nationally, summarized survey data indicated that agricultural land with potential for immediate development (expected land use if sold) was valued at more than \$5,700 per acre. The survey also indicated that agricultural land with potential for future development was valued at nearly \$4,000 per acre. Demand for farm real estate as an investment continued, but was limited by strong appreciation of alternative investments.

Regional increases in the average value of farm real estate ranged from 5.2 percent in the Mountain region to 10.4 percent in the Lake region. The highest farm real estate values were in the Northeast region, where urban influences drove the average value to \$3,400 per acre. In the Corn Belt region, where commodity production and prices were favorable during 2003, farm real estate values rose 8.0 percent, to \$2,300 per acre. The Mountain region, with its expanse of pasture and rangeland, has the lowest farm real estate value, at \$550 per acre.

Cropland values rose 9.1 percent, to \$2,030 per acre, in the Lake region and 8.4 percent, to \$2,460 per acre, in the Corn Belt. Together these regions account for nearly one-third of the U.S. total cropland acres. The highest average cropland values, at \$3,660 per acre, are in the Pacific region, where a significant portion of the cropland is irrigated.